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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Michele K. Jolke Art Unit: 1636
Re: Application of: CHOI, Eui-Sung et al.
 Serial No.: 10/527,438
 Filed: March 11, 2005

For: **Method for Screening of a Lipase Having Improved
Enzymatic Activity Using Yeast Surface Display Vector
and the Lipase**

DECLARATION OF DEPOSITOR

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***Hansenula polymorpha* DL/pLGK Lip10 and *Hansenula polymorpha* DL/pLGK Lip14**

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